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| LEAF SPRING DESIGN           | ) |                        |

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants wish to bring the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 to the attention of the Examiner in the above-captioned application for U.S. Letters Patent. The Examiner is invited to review the full disclosure of these documents for his or her own independent evaluation of their pertinence to the invention claimed. A copy of each of the referenced documents is enclosed herewith, along with a copy of Form PTO-1449.

Applicants do not believe that these documents anticipate or render obvious the invention claimed.

Applicants request that these documents be included in the record of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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